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VIA ECF (TO ALL COUNSEL)

The Honorable William F. Kuntz, II
United States District Court for the
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: *United States v. Saidazim*, 21-CR-564 (WFK)

Dear Judge Kuntz:

I represent Dela Saidazim, who is scheduled to be sentenced by this Court on December 13, 2023. Ms. Saidazim and I are ready to proceed with sentencing on Wednesday. Out of an abundance of caution, I write to inform the Court that I underwent shoulder surgery on Friday, December 1, 2023 and thereafter, apparently as a result of the visit to the hospital, tested positive for COVID-19. I have been treated by a doctor, am no longer symptomatic, and have been told by my doctor that I may resume normal activities. Ms. Saidazim also began feeling sick on December 4, 2023, and tested positive for COVID-19. She has, however, since taken multiple tests that all show she has recovered and is negative for COVID-19.

As Dela and I appear to have no further symptoms, we are prepared to proceed on Wednesday and believe no adjournment is necessary but wanted to ensure the Court was informed of these circumstances. The government has no objection to moving forward on Wednesday.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Robert J. Anello

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